

Limerick PPN Secretariat

Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District

SEATS: One (1)

1. CANDIDATE: Sean Kelly

NOMINATED BY: Foynes & District Community Council

My name is Sean Kelly and I am currently a Non-Executive Director of E.S.B. I also work within the organisation as a Project Leader responsible for the delivery of overhead and underground capital projects across the Central Region. I am a Business Graduate from U.C.D., and I hold Diplomas and Certification in Health & Safety (U.C.D.), HR (CIPD), Mediation & Conflict Resolution (NUI Maynooth) and Company Directorship (IOD). I have been the Chairperson of the Foynes & District Community Council since 2020 and believe that becoming involved in the Limerick PPN will allow me to assist in enhancing the democratic process across the City and County. We in Foynes are aware of our responsibility for developing our County and wish to represent our community allowing our voice to facilitate development of policies and plans that will enhance our region for our residents and visitors alike.

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Community Pillar

SEATS: One (1)

1. CANDIDATE: David O'Brien

NOMINATED BY: Limerick Civic Trust

- A wealth of experience in heritage, charity and community work.
- Working as CEO of Limerick Civic Trust on restoration projects, as well as engaging with the local community to bring positive change to Limerick.
- I would like to support and contribute to the core conversation guiding our community.

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Environment Pillar

SEATS: One (1)

1. CANDIDATE: Aidan Hogan

NOMINATED BY: Limerick Pedestrian Network

I'd like to be considered for the PPN Secretariat role as I would like to contribute in a positive and meaningful way to help give our various community organisations a strong voice in the decision making process that affects us all in Limerick. I believe that these local representative groups are ideally placed to provide the key input that decision makers need to make the appropriate policy decisions for our city and county.

I have a general interest in environmental matters, with a particular interest in promoting sustainable and active travel. In addition to my voluntary work with Limerick Pedestrian Network and the Cycling Campaign, my day job in the energy industry (and previous studies in sustainable energy) gives me a good understanding of many of the issues covered under the environmental pillar of the PPN. I also have experience of the governance and administration of discussion / decision making groups, having been involved in the secretariat role of such groups for a substantial portion of the past decade.

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Date: 01/03/21

2. CANDIDATE: Brian O'Connor NOMINATED BY: Environmental Trust Ireland

I am honoured to be nominated by Environmental Trust Ireland as a candidate for the PPN Secretariat elections.

I am an effective communicator both written and verbal. I have good interpersonal skills and can confidently negotiate. I am dependable and can make clear decisions - while considering the consensus - with accuracy and attention to detail.

I am an experienced chair and adhere to the agenda convening further meetings if necessary. I operated as a broker for almost a decade encouraging co-operation and reducing conflict between clients and suppliers. I was a reporter with the Limerick Leader.

I would like to be on the PPN Secretariat as most of my professional life was spent mediating between parties. I feel that I possess the relevant skills and experiences to assist the democratic process between member groups in achieving their community's aspirations.

Community, Leisure & Culture SPC	PILLAR: Community/Voluntary	SEATS: One (1)
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2. CANDIDATE: Ger Hartigan NOMINATED BY: Foynes & District Community Council

My name is Ger Hartigan and I have resided in the historic port town of Foynes since circa 2003. I wish to promote the educational, cultural and economic welfare of the whole community of Foynes in dealings with local government, statutory bodies and other agencies to seek, where necessary technical, financial or other assistance in the promotion of the common good and to assist, where possible the local authority in the exercise of its office in the locality. I passionately believe that our community can contribute enormously to the development of the Limerick region at both a local and a national level and that it is vital that this location is developed in line with the aspirations contained in Project Ireland 2040.

I work in Limerick Institute of Technology as a Senior Technical Officer within the Department of the Built Environment. I have a B.Sc. (L8) Hons in Civil Engineering Management and I completed a Level 9 Masters by Research in 2017 in a comparison study of Terrestrial Laser Scanning and Global Positioning Satellite Surveying Technologies. I am proud to serve as an elected staff member on the Governing Body of LIT. As chairperson of the LIT UNITE union, I work on a part time basis as an

Industrial Relations Facilitator for the Technological University Consortium of Athlone Institute of Technology and Limerick Institute of Technology.

If elected, I would continuously work to deliver on the actions of committee and develop our work to truly benefit the people of Limerick. I want to work with the plenary and linkage groups to ensure all of our views are represented within the SPC. I strongly believe that participatory democracy will strengthen our communities and the Limerick PPN.

3. CANDIDATE: Pete Moles NOMINATED BY: Emerging Limerick Filmmakers

In 2014, I made the decision to permanently relocate to Limerick, inspired by the events of City of Culture and the opportunities this created for Limerick to grow its cultural and community infrastructure.

I am the Artist Director of Emerging Limerick Filmmakers. I'm a filmmaker who had the honour of representing Limerick at the 2020 Berlinale Film Festival. I have worked with Fresh International Film Festival for over a decade.

I've been elected to committees before and have filled the role of secretary more than once. I've supported film organisations in the city, including Film in Limerick, and have been clear in my desire that Limerick embrace its identity as a city of film. While film is my area of professional interest, I'm eager to see a thriving arts community across disciplines, particularly in regard to developing creative opportunities for young people. I've developed a strong network of contacts and believe I can be a good representative and point of contact for groups around the city and county. I am always willing to talk to people and to pursue information and I'm not afraid of paperwork. I'm very familiar with grant applications, press releases and am versed in the art of proofreading. I'm adept at finding time to attend meetings.

I appreciate the importance of work done by local government and hope to support my community by putting myself forward for the Strategic Planning Committee for Community, Leisure & Culture.

Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning	PILLAR: Social Inclusion	SEATS: One (1)
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1. CANDIDATE: Keith Enright NOMINATED BY: ASD Ireland

I believe that I would be a great addition to this committee, I am the CEO of ASD Ireland based in Limerick and we have been working on promoting social inclusion within the community.

I have been working with schools, colleges, businesses and communities, I would be delighted to be nominated to this group

Home and Social Development

PILLAR: Community/Voluntary

SEATS: Two (2)

1. CANDIDATE: Patrick English

NOMINATED BY: Anglesborough Tidy Towns

I received my early education in Anglesboro National School and second level at Mitchelsotwn Vocational School. From there I qualified for entry into Army Apprentice School Naas, Co. Kildare. I graduated as a two-star carpenter / Joiner in 1969 and fully qualified as a three-star Carpenter / Joiner in 1971.

From 1973 -78, I worked with various building contractors and started as a self-employed Carpenter/ Joiner in 1978. I set up Pen-Q Building Contractors in 1989 to present and semi-retired in 2017.

I have a keen interest in GAA and Community affairs. I served in most of the community committees in the local area:

- Community Council - Chairman 14 years
Vice Chairman 11 years
- Drama Group Treasure 4 Years
- Currently Tidy Towns Treasurer
- GAA, as a player and Administrator since 1963 and in that time:
 - Chairman 20 years
 - Vice Chairman 3 years
 - Secretary 12 years
 - Commitee member 15 years
- Currently Irish/ Cultural Officer for last 10 years

I am also Chairman of Kilbehenny/ Mitchelstown Caring Fund, which raised €77,000 for a member who received serious injuries in a n accident.

I served on numerous charity fundraisers and currently a member of Ballyhoura Development CLG and also a board member of Mitchelstown Food Center DAC. I was a member of Secretariat Limerick PPN from 2015- 2019.

Joint Policing Committee

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3. CANDIDATE: Tracey Lynch

NOMINATED BY: Limerick Mental Health Association

Hello, my name is Tracey Lynch. I am interested in becoming a representative on the URBACT Health and Greenspace Local Group.

- I have the skill and experience in the sector for 12 years working on co-production projects locally and nationally.
 - I am a former member of the Economic and planning SPC.
 - I am experienced in supporting the use of urban greenspaces in order to promote mental and physical health.
 - I have understanding of the action Planning required to linking green infrastructure design and management to urban health policies and practices.
 - As the manager of Limerick Mental Health Association (LMHA) my professional and personal interests are aligned as a limerick citizen with focus on promoting the physical and mental health benefits of urban greenspaces.
 - LMHA promote and engage in social activities such as community, cultural, education and physical activity programs in green areas via our partnership as The Hunt Museum's charity partner, The Lane projects and Leading Limerick Mental Health week each year.
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